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CLAIMS

- 1. A device for axial stopping of a rotor in particular an armature of an 2 electric motor, for balancing machines, said rotor (5) having a support shaft (4)
- 3 defining a rotation axis (4a) and two end faces (4b) transverse to said rotation
- 4 axis (4a), said device comprising at least one thrust unit having an abutment
- 5 surface (8) adjacent to one said end face (4b) and adapted to exert a repulsive
- force on said end face (4b) able to axially stop said support shaft (4) and to 6
- 7 maintain an interstice (1a) between said abutment surface (8) and said end face
- 8 (4b) of said support shaft (4).
- 1 A device as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said thrust unit comprises fluid-
- 2 emitting means (9) to form a layer of fluid between said abutment surface (8) and
- 3 end face (4b), said layer of fluid exerting said repulsive force and defining said
- 4 interstice (1a).
- 3. A device as claimed in Claim 2, wherein said fluid dispensed by said 1
- 2 emitting means (9) is air under pressure.
- 1 4. A device as claimed in Claim 3, wherein said thrust unit comprises an
- 2 abutment element (10) defining said abutment surface (8) on a face thereof and
- 3 having at least one hole (11) for passage of said air under pressure at said
- 4 abutment surface (8).
- 1 5. A device as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said abutment element (10) is a
- 2 foil element and wherein said at least one hole (11) is a through hole formed in
- 3 said foil element (10).
- **6.** A device as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said emitting means (9) 1
- 2 comprises at least one pipe (13) for feeding air under pressure and one sleeve
- 3 (12) placed at the end of said feeding pipe (13) and engaged with said abutment

- 4 element (10) at said at least one hole (11).
- 7. A device as claimed in Claim 6, wherein said abutment element (10)
- 2 comprises attachment members (15) rigidly mounted thereon, for connection with
- 3 said sleeve (12).
- **8.** A device as claimed in Claim 7, wherein said attachment members (15)
- 2 comprise a threaded block (16) susceptible of being engaged by screwing by
- 3 said sleeve (12).